

Next weekend is ...

"ST. JOHN'S WEEKEND"

Friday 26th, Saturday 27th, Sunday 28th June

It is still not too late to donate the following items:

- ♦ **Bottles for the Bottle Tombola**
- ♦ **Books, CD's and DVD's**
- ♦ **Plants, flowers, house plants**
- ♦ **Soft Toys (we need lots of cuddly ones!)**
- ♦ **Home made cakes (get ready to bake!)**
- ♦ **Home made preserves**

We are also looking for prizes for our Grand Raffle. If you have an unwanted gift, or are willing to donate a suitable prize, then do please speak to Julia or Liz.

We are still looking for more volunteers to help setting up; manning a stall; serving refreshments; running a competition; and lots more. Please speak to Julia or Liz or sign up on the list.

Our programmes are now ready to go out to our friends and neighbours in the parish. If you are a regular deliverer, please pick up your bundle or if you are willing to deliver around the parish, please check out the information table.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

And don't forget

We hope to see you all next weekend at one or all of the planned events. There is an exhibition of art and craft during the Saturday Afternoon fete - so there is plenty to and to see.

26th June marks the start of St John's Weekend - and we're having a 'Fun Evening' for all our Friday Club, Holiday Club, Kingfishers and Kestrels children. I'd love a core team of 10+ adults to help with refreshments, supervision of the bouncy castle or assisting with art & craft on the evening. Don't worry if you've not helped out before. I'd love to have you on the team! Phil Sheldrake

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News & Notices for week commencing Sunday 21st June 2009

A very warm welcome to our Services today. Please stay for refreshments after the morning service which will be available at the top end of the church and also brought around on trays. A hearing aid loop is available in all areas of the church.

Sunday 21st June

10.00 am Morning Worship - Rev'd Nick Lang
Faith: believers facing adversity
 (II Chronicles 24: 17 - 22 & Hebrews 11: 32 - 40)

NO EVENING SERVICE

Wednesday 24th June

10.45 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Lang

Sunday 28th June

10.00 am All Age Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
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12.00 midday **Family Picnic** (bring a picnic and join in the fun and fellowship)

2.30 pm **Songs of Praise** - Rev'd Nick Lang
 with Brass Ensemble
 Followed by Afternoon tea

Special prayer for the 2nd Sunday after Trinity

*Faithful Creator,
 whose mercy never fails:
 deepen our faithfulness to you
 and to your living Word,
 Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen*

Is there something you would like to pray about today? Someone will be available to pray with you in the Chapel after each service.

Monday 22nd June

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers
- 10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon
- 2.30 pm Women's Focus - Journey into Art - Mike Reid
- 7.30 pm CYFA
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Tuesday 23rd June

- 10.00 am The Ark
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Wednesday 24th June

- 9.15 am Parish Prayers
- 10.45 am Holy Communion in the Chapel
- 10.30 am The LINK – coffee followed by lunch from 12 noon
- 2.00 pm OPEN HOUSE - Feely Bag Quiz
- 5.30 pm Kingfishers
- 6.30 pm Kestrels

Friday 26th June

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers
- 6.30 pm **ST. JOHN'S WEEKEND HOLIDAY CLUB GAMES EVENING**

Saturday 27th June

- 1.00 - 4.00 pm **ST. JOHN'S WEEKEND - SUMMER FAIR** (see back page)
- 7.30 pm SJ'S and PLUS - Social & Games Evening

Please pray for –

- ◆ *Chris Clayton and for his wife Sue.*
- ◆ *Kit and Mike Grant on the death of John, Kit's brother.*
- ◆ *Felix Netley*
- ◆ *Billy Beauchamp in St Christopher's*
- ◆ *Lucy Murrell (Margaret's Great Niece)*
- ◆ *Michael Jones (who lives in Ernest Grove)*
- ◆ *Alison Rose and her parents on the death of her aunt.*

Marcena Hrebien - *We are very sad to report that Marcena died on last week. Our thoughts and prayers are with her sons, Peter and Michael and their families. Marcena's Service of Thanksgiving will be on Monday 29th June at 1.30 pm in church.*

Special prayer topics:

- ◆ *Residents of Links Way*
- ◆ *Children and Young People in our community*

HOMEGROUPS: The next stage

If you have not caught up with the last couple of weeks notices about Home Groups please take one of the leaflets in Church. Today, each notice sheet should contain an insert inviting people to say if they wish to join a Home Group. When you have completed the form please place it in the box by the door.

Important notes

- ◆ If anyone feels that they would like the opportunity to lead, or perhaps co-lead a group, then please talk to Nick.
- ◆ if anyone would like to offer their home as a potential Homegroup venue, particularly if that will help the parents of young children to attend themselves, then please talk to David White.

Women's Focus are currently on their "Weekend Away" on in Worthing. Please pray for safety in travel, good weather and fun together.

Congratulations! to Becky & Tim Sowter on the safe arrival of Matthew Daniel (7lb 10ozs) born at home on Thursday 11th June. A brother for Hannah, James & Katie.

BAPTISM - *We are beginning to plan and prepare for a baptism service in church on Sept 20th. If you have not been baptised and would like to talk about it, please contact Nick. This is not infant baptism but a service for people who are able to express their faith themselves. It could be an opportunity too, for anyone who, although baptised as an infant, would like to profess their living faith for themselves. Talk to Nick.*

GT'S : The next G.T.s meeting will be as planned on Thursday July 2nd in the large hall, starting with coffee at 10.30 a.m. Details will be around next Sunday so look out for your copy. If you have any questions about GT's or would like to find out about coming along, please speak to Diana (8650 5344)

Well done! to Henry & Charlie Terry who took part in the recent FunWalk raising funds for St. Christopher's Hospice. The boys raised a brilliant total £400 for their efforts. Go to the website on: www.stchristophers.org.uk to see photos and news about the walk.